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PamB : What a big crowd we have tonight. Are you from a class?

AdrienneMF: E2T2 Grant -Capstone

ShawnaE: A PBS Capstone class, new to tapped in

PamB : Welcome!

DanaMB: New to the discussion group--from MO

JeanneC: Also PBS Capstone class and new to tapped in. Bigger font size helps!

LorenL: UMW observer. Not teaching yet

BJB2: Welcome, everyone, to tonight's Web Tools for Education!

BJB2: Please let Pam know where you are located and what you teach or hope to teach (brief intro)

JeffC is an educator in Forest Grove, OR, on Tapped In Helpdesk (gives tours and support for the K-12 Campus on Saturday mornings 11a.m. Pacific if anyone here wants to create a class for their students), and resident wise guy.

ShawnaE: I am in Illinois and teach 7th grade special education Math and S.S.

BerzaydaO: I am Berzayda Ochoa located in Houston, TX and hoping to teach Kindergarten this August, I graduate in May

KristineMu: I am located in Houston, TX. I am a student teacher and hope to teach the primary grades

ElaineMB: I am from Southern Illinois, and teach 4th grade Science, English and Reading. Fulfilling a requirement for PBS capstone

AdrienneMF: I am from Chester, IL I teach 3rd grade and I am due with my first baby anytime!!!

BrianMe: Charlottesville, VA. Working on my license for HS Social Studies

DanaMB: Hi, I'm a school librarian in a middle school in MO.

JeanneC: Pam, I teach junior high and high school health at Pope County which is about as far south as you can get in Illinois.

ShawnaE: Adrienne Congratulations, that is so exciting!

BerzaydaO: Congrats on the baby!

KelvinT: I am from Houston, TX graduation in May

ElizabethC: Hi, I teach chemistry in CT

LorenL: King George, VA. Special Education. Not yet teaching

MelissaRev: I live in San Diego, CA and substitute for the Poway Unified School District and I'm taking a class at Cal State San Marcos

BJB2: Pam, what do you think of this lively group?!

PamB: I'm a educational/library consultant from NY.

BerzaydaO: We are ready to learn!

KristineMu: Yes we are!

PamB: We're from all over the country!

CarleenC: We certainly are!

KelvinT: Let' roll :)

PamB: Usually I do pretty serious stuff...

AdrienneMF: not tonight

PamB: like search engines and blogs and wikis...

AdrienneMF: let's have fun

PamB: but tonight I wanted to look at...

DanaMB: drumroll please

PamB: some fun visual effect tools...

BJB2 listens

KristineMu: sounds great

PamB : sound good?

KelvinT: sound like a lot of fun

AdrienneMF: great

KelvinT: yeah

KristineMu: yeah

BerzaydaO: sounds great

ElaineMB: great

CarleenC: yeah

JeanneC: Good for me!

PamB : the first one is called Animoto.

PamB : has anyone tried it?

KristineMu: never heard of it

KelvinT: I have never heard of it

AdrienneMF: no

DanaMB: Not yet.

CarleenC: no

ElaineMB: I have heard of it, never tried it.

MelissaRev: no

ShawnaE: Do we need to take notes or is it easy to re-access this info?

JeanneC: not me

BerzaydaO: I have never heard of that

ShawnaE: Never heard of it

BJB2: when you log out you will automatically be emailed a transcript of this discussion

PamB : It's free and it's fun.

BJB2 . o O (so no notes necessary)

ShawnaE: Thank you helpful to know

AdrienneMF: great

MelissaRev: sounds good to me!

PamB : I made a few just to try out the tool. I'll post the URL and you can see it and then we can go look at the site.

PamB : <http://animoto.com/play/1bcacaf5d81ad956d43d6eb1a2d3db31>

KelvinT: okay

KelvinT: it' look so fancy and high tech

ElaineMB: Did you take digital pictures and animate?

AdrienneMF: That looks very difficult to do

DanaMB: Wow

PamB : I hope it works!

ElaineMB: It looks neat

CarleenC: Very different

PamB : No, it's not difficult at all, in fact, it's easy!

DanaMB: o.k. My camera's ready what next?

BrianMe: very cool, Pam

PamB : Let's go to the Animoto website and you can take a tour and see how easy it is.
<http://www.animoto.com>

AdrienneMF: ok

CarleenC: okay

PamB : Come back in 10 minutes.

AdrienneMF: so we are just browsing the site right now?

ShawnaE: The site is frozen on my screen and I can't access it. :(

KristineMu: same here

CarleenC: It was great!

PamB : You might be freezing because we are in TI. Usually it works fine.

AdrienneMF: I saw it the first time but mine is frozen too

PamB : To make an animoto, all you have to do is choose a few photos, pick your music and it does the rest.

CarleenC: Are we supposed to watch the video?

BerzaydaO: oh wow that is awesome and sounds easy to do!

AdrienneMF: so it is very user friendly?

ElizabethC: can these videos be embedded in a web site

PamB : It comes out different each time.

PamB : yes they can be, in youtube, a web site...a whole list of programs.

KelvinT: it looks like a lot of fun to do

KelvinT: I will have to try to create one this weekend

PamB : kids are so impressed!

AdrienneMF: I am sure

AdrienneMF: My class would love it

BerzaydaO: I bet they love it when we use any type of technology

KristineMu: and I am not sure why

CarleenC: Is it hard to do?

BrianMe: it would be an incredible way to introduce a unit

PamB : the free version limits you to set number of photos but you can pay a small amount a create more features.

KristineMu: wow, really cool

JeffC: or <http://snurl.com/animoto1> (if you want/need to type it in).

KelvinT: I agree with Brian

BrianMe: one problem...they don't seem to have any country music tracks available:(

BrianMe: guess I would have to upload my own

ShawnaE: Ok, am back in and watched the demo not sure how much I missed, but it looks like an amazing tool to use

PamB : yes, I noticed.

JeffC: doesn't sound like a problem to me Brian!

DanaMB: It could be used for the end of the year 8th grade graduation

KristineMu: that would be a great way to intro a lesson

ElizabethC: What does it mean that it's different every time?

ElaineMB: That was really great!! I think it looks amazingly easy and would be a neat way to develop units/do Christmas stuff with the kids.

DanaMB: incredible email for all of those baby pictures Jeanne

KelvinT: you can use this to do anything

BrianMe: it means that they do not have a preprogrammed format for your pictures and music

BerzaydaO: This is really neat!

KelvinT: kids can actually do a small presentation of their project doing this

PamB : I meant the graphic combinations are different, fades, cuts, etc.

KelvinT: especially photography class

AdrienneMF: That is really cool!

ShawnaE: Dana that would be awesome at graduation

DaveGst2: Is this similar to Photoshow?

JeanneC: very impressive

ElaineMB: Is the paid part of this affordable if you wanted to do several pictures?

ShawnaE: In math kids are taking pics around the school of math and the concepts they learned this would be a riveting way to put it together

BerzaydaO: I agree that it would be a great way to introduce a lesson and awesome to use at graduation

PamB: I don't know photoshow, does anyone know?

AdrienneMF: never heard of that one

DanaMB: Not me

KelvinT: I have never heard of photoshow

BrianMe: and a great way to email those baby pics to the folks

BerzaydaO: Neither have I

ShawnaE: I've only used PhotoStory3 and I've not seen it do this

BerzaydaO: I have heard of PhotoStory

DaveGst2: <http://www.photoshow.com/home>

KelvinT: Photostory is great too

DanaMB: Is there a photostory address?

TamaraSi: thank you! brand new to this

BrianMe: so what is our next tool for the evening?

AdrienneMF: All of these will be so handy when I am making videos of baby Carly!

PamB : Rather than my typing in URLs I'm going to take you to one of my wikis with a list of websites that can look at...

KelvinT:

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/using/digitalphotography/photostory/default.msp>

PamB : thanks Kevin

AdrienneMF: I guess it would be handy in the classroom too but I have baby on the brain right now

BrianMe: understandable...my 19 month old is in my lap helping me out here

KelvinT: Adrienne, you can show your baby pictures to your class by using these software

BrianMe: so kiddos are on the brain here too

AdrienneMF: too cute

AdrienneMF: great idea

BerzaydaO: and as teachers kiddos are always on our mind!

PamB : When you go to my wiki, scroll down to the very bottom FUN sites and click on Sketchcast. <http://21stlearning.wikispaces.com/>

PamB : let's all look at sketchcast...there's an intro on the first page.

AdrienneMF: ok

LorenL: don't see the link for sketchcast

PamB : The link is on the bottom of the wiki <http://21stlearning.wikispaces.com/>

JeffC: <http://sketchcast.com/>

PamB : under Fun Sites

KelvinT: Pam, you are awesome

ElizabethC: Oh, this would be great for math classes!

LorenL: thanks

JeanneC: My mac and I aren't doing too good clicking on links. I may have to wait for

transcript.

BerzaydaO: I agree this is great for math!

PamB nods

AdrienneMF: now my students would love that one

AdrienneMF: great for math!!! I agree

KelvinT: I agree

MaureenB . o O (wonders where everyone is still playing Animoto)

ElaineMB: Interesting site. Still think I like Animoto better, even though I know they serve two completely different purposes.

PamB : Okay, let's look at Blackboard generator..it's just a fun visual.

LorenL: this one looks like fun

KelvinT: Okay

BerzaydaO: ok

PamB : it's nice to have lots of different tools. (>

CarleenC: Really nice

BerzaydaO: yes and makes it great to teach

KelvinT: Sketchcast was great, but you may have some difficulty drawing by using your mouse

DaveGst2: I have an Interwrite pad...similar concept to sketchcast?

ElaineMB: The girls in my room would go nuts over the glitter on Blackboard generator

PamB : tell us about interwrite pad.

LorenL: is blackboard generator a separate link?

AdrienneMF: They would love the glitter

ElaineMB: It is under sketchcast

DaveGst2: a Bluetooth wireless pad where you can record drawings

PamB: http://www.glassgiant.com/back_to_school/

PamB: nice

ElaineMB: I really like that site. I will have to investigate further when I have more time.

BerzaydaO: oh wow that does sound nice

AdrienneMF: I want to look more but I don't want to miss the next site

CarleenC: nice

LorenL: another good one. what's the application of it?

JeffC: there are a lot of sign generator sites... from gas station prices to freeway warning signs, etc.

KelvinT: I think I have to set a day out just to play with these great sites

PamB: I think the next one is really fun...

PamB: <http://www.fodey.com/generators/newspaper/snippet.asp>

PamB: try it out and then come back.

AdrienneMF: ok

BerzaydaO: I agree I need to spend a whole day just exploring these sites

KelvinT: oh wow

CarleenC: really great

KelvinT: newspaper generator? that' new

KelvinT: This is great

JeanneC: I'm glad we get a transcript because I lose the group every time I try to leave, but I'm hanging in there!

ElizabethC: Oh, wow. The English and History teachers will like this one.

ShawnaE: me too I'm counting on the transcript

KelvinT: Instead of creating a regular worksheet, I can use this to make a math worksheet on a newspaper

ShawnaE: Is there a spell checker on it?

DanaMB: Pam, can these blackboard generators be saved?

ShawnaE: I can see our LA teacher doing a lot with this

ElizabethC: The only thing that is bothering about the newspaper site is all the ads.

ElaineMB: I like the newspaper site. I played with some headlines and it seemed easy to use.

KelvinT: it doesn't look like there is a spell check on this one

AdrienneMF: my kids would love the birthday newspaper.

BerzaydaO: This newspaper site is really cool!

PamB : I haven't found one without ads.

ShawnaE: oh have you tried the animations at the top?

ShawnaE: My students would get a kick out of them

DanaMB: I think that I'll have my afterschool writer's club use these next week!!!

CarleenC: Really cute the kids will love to write

ShawnaE: I tried the talking squirrels

PamB : Okay, which one would get your top vote and why?

ShawnaE: I'm guessing no spell checker? My students have been working on cutting and pasting from word so that would work

PamB : I know it's hard but go for it.

KelvinT: I love the Animoto

DanaMB: I like the newspaper generator for the writing club

AdrienneMF: that is still my fav. too

ElaineMB: I think for animating pictures definitely animoto. My second pick would be the newspaper generator because I can see myself using it quite a bit in Reading.

ShawnaE: I was really impressed with animoto but the others could be applied in the classroom tomorrow

KelvinT: I agree

LorenL: where were the talking squirrels?

BerzaydaO: I think the newspaper is perfect for language arts

DanaMB: I love the Animoto for my independent research class

JeanneC: Animoto would take some extra time, but would be worth it.

CarleenC: I like the animto the best

KelvinT: Animoto can be a very powerful attention grabber

ShawnaE: under create at the top of the newspaper page, they have tomatoes and all sorts, they are in red

BrianMe: I think Animoto has the greatest awe factor for the students

LorenL: excellent!

KelvinT: I agreed with Brian

ElizabethC: I think the newspaper site has the most applications

BrianMe: right, Elizabeth

BrianMe: that's what I was thinking

BrianMe: I like the idea of using it to announce the winners of classroom competitions

ShawnaE: and the newspaper one is not hard to figure out, one could use it instantly

ElaineMB: I could see myself using the newspaper site for more instruction, and blackboard generator more for fun

DanaMB: Although, my reluctant researchers may use the sketch pad

ShawnaE: We do a few newspaper articles in S.S. and this would make it more realistic

ElizabethC: I was thinking my reluctant teachers would immediately latch on to the newspaper because it is similar to assignments they already give.

DanaMB: I agree Elizabeth

AdrienneMF: the newspaper site is very neat

KelvinT: This is great

DanaMB: Undecided!

KelvinT: right now a bunch of ideas are just popping up in my head

ShawnaE: Any more good ideas Pam?

AdrienneMF: would go great with S.S. and science

PamB : Have you seen what Google is doing for teachers lately?

AdrienneMF: no

MelissaRev: no

DanaMB: What is google doing? :)

ShawnaE: What?

PamB : let me get the URL

JeanneC: haven't noticed

PamB : They have set up a Google for Educators. Take a quick look and then come back in 10 minutes.

PamB : <http://www.google.com/educators/index.html>

ShawnaE: Jeff what is snurl that you keep typing in before everything?

JeffC: <http://snurl.com> is a url redirect site... I copy/paste a long url in there and then edit the name.

BerzaydaO: I love google and this educators site is GREAT!!!

ElizabethC: I want to try Google Docs in class for peer editing. Has anyone tried this?

PamB : Jeff I love it!

BerzaydaO: I'm glad you asked about snurl I was wondering too!

DanaMB: bummer--I can't get the site to display

JeffC: very handy for teachers... you can take any url and shorten it, and make it into a name you'll remember, and your students can type. many use tinyurl.com ...but that site doesn't allow you to edit the name, nor does it save all your shortened urls... snipurl does both.

PamB: yes I use goole docs with my co-author

ShawnaE: oh thanks

KelvinT: google docs is great

PamB: she is in PA and I'm in NYC so we use google docs all the time.

KelvinT: real time editing and posting

PamB: yes!

PamB: Google Reader is also very powerful! I love it.

JohnGst4: These sites are great! Thank you, guys.

AdrienneMF: love snurl Jeff

JeffC: yup... snurl rulz! I recommend signing up.

MelissaRev: Pam, thanks for the great resources! Sorry I have to run out of here early:(

BerzaydaO: I am definitely going to sign up!

AdrienneMF: any other great resources?

LorenL: Question for anyone. I'm trying to create a brochure for one of my classes. Any websites that I need to know about?

JeffC: well... bjb shared one with me the other day, before she sold out to Nike.

MaureenB left the room (signed off).

BJB2 winks at Jeff

JeffC: there's an online Adobe Photoshop now... it's in beta.

KelvinT: really?

JeffC: yup

KelvinT: An online Adobe Photoshop?

PamB : it's free?

BJB2 nods

JeanneC: Google has some pretty neat stuff! Will have to spend more time later to check it all out.

AdrienneMF: anything free is good

CarleenC: The geography site is great

BerzaydaO: Yes free websites that help teachers are the best!!

PamB : google maps are fantastic with lots of curriculum tie-ins.

ElizabethC: Do you mean Google Earth?

PamB : yes

ElizabethC: I have yet to use that in class, but I can see the possibilities

DaveGst2: I will have to let my librarian know about the Google posters

ElaineMB: I have used Google Earth in Science . Easy to use

BrianMe: I love Google Earth

AdrienneMF: these websites are great

AdrienneMF: I still like Animoto the best

AdrienneMF: I will definitely get a lot of use out of that one

BerzaydaO: I like google for educators the best

DaveGst2: It will definitely help them search Google more effectively

CarleenC: Google has the most information

AdrienneMF: I need to browse that one some more

DanaMB: I'll have to google tomorrow....For some reason it won't display the webpage. : (

CarleenC: Anything else?

PamB: We don't have time to go to it tonight but when you are browsing this week go to voicethread.com

KelvinT: Jeff, the Adobe Photoshop online is at this URL right?

<https://www.photoshop.com/express/landing.html>

AdrienneMF: We just did voicethread in a teacher's meeting yesterday

AdrienneMF: That is a great site too

PamB: They just set up a separate educators section to make it very safe for kids.

JeffC: <http://snurl.com/photoshopexpress> [www_photoshop_com]

KelvinT: just making sure I am at the right site

JeffC: yup... that's it Kelvin... and that's my redirect.

AdrienneMF: that is great

KelvinT: oh okay

AdrienneMF: is everyone gone already or still browsing?

PamB: I think you have enough to keep you busy!

JeffC: lots are still here Adrienne

JeanneC: just listening to everyone

ElaineMB: still here, trying to keep up with the reading

KelvinT: still here and browsing

DanaMB: So much...Where do I begin to play?

PamB: Thanks for coming. Come back next month...

DanaMB: Pam you have some great sites---

AdrienneMF: Thanks Pam

ElaineMB: Thanks for having us!!

PamB : Thanks

JeanneC: enjoyed it!

CarleenC: wonderful - will definitely come back thanks for having us!!!!

DanaMB: Wow!!!

BerzaydaO: Pam I have found some wonderful resources thanks to this chat!

AdrienneMF: so the transcript is e-mailed to us when we log out?

ShawnaE: web 2.0 tools I learned about at a conference
toondoo.com marumushi.com/apps/newsmap buzzword.com letterpop.com edusi
m3D.com mathbits.com/mathbits/mathmovies/mathmovies.htm

ElizabethC: Thanks. I found a lot of great resources!

BJB2: The next Web Tools for Education will be on May 14

BerzaydaO: I will definitely be back next month this was super helpful to me

ShawnaE: sorry they are scrunched, I was trying to cut and paste them from a document I had them in

CarleenC: Great thanks

ElizabethC: Shawna, have you used edusim? I want to but my video drivers seem to be too old to install the program

KelvinT: Thanks Shawna

ShawnaE: Just went to the conference haven't gotten to play with many of them.

AdrienneMF: I want those website names

AdrienneMF: it was nice chatting with all of you

AdrienneMF: Very informational

PamB : Good night

JeffC:

www.toondoo.com www.marumushi.com/apps/newsmap www.buzzword.com www.letterpop.com www.edusim3D.com www.mathbits.com/mathbits/mathmovies/mathmovies.htm

BrianMe: TY Pam

ShawnaE: Thanks Pam for introducing the sites

ElizabethC: Thanks for all the links!

PamB : thanks BJ

BrianMe: have a good evening

ShawnaE: Thanks Jeff for making it easy for everyone to access

AdrienneMF: Good night everyone

ShawnaE: thanks

PamB : You're welcome!

KelvinT: Thank you all for this invaluable chat

BerzaydaO: Thanks Pam

PamB waves goodnight

DaveGst2: Thanks Pam

CarleenC: waves goodnight

BerzaydaO: oh ok that's good to know thanks!!

ShawnaE: Adrienne enjoy every minute of the baby. I'll be thinking of you this week

AdrienneMF: Thank you so much